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WASHTENAW 4-H NEWSLETTER

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ALL STAFF ARE NOW FULL TIME
can be reached 9am-5pm

T-SHIRT CONTEST

The Horse Association is holding a t-shirt contest. Let your creativity run wild and submit your horsetastic design by April 27th 2021, to have a chance to design this year's t-shirt. Please email all design entries to Katherine at mill2948@msu.edu. All entries will be voted on at the Horse Association April meeting and will be available for purchase shortly after. Stay tuned for details and we look forward to seeing your beautiful designs!



HAPPY SPRING



TAGGING DAYS

Sheep/Swine/Feeder/Goat tagging is scheduled for May 8th, 2021

8am-11am

Hogs will just be tagged.

Feeders need an RFID tag.

Sheep and Goats need a Scrapies tag.



APRIL MEETINGS

Livestock and Dairy
April 8th at 7pm

Still Projects
April 27th at 6:30 pm

Horse Association
April 27th at 7pm

CLOVERBUB SPIN CLUB

Join the 4-H Cloverbud SPIN Club to explore projects in Gardening, Global & Cultural Education, Nutrition, Health & Fitness, and more! All participants receive an activity kit filled with the materials needed to complete each project. Let's have fun and learn with Macomb, Washtenaw and Wayne county 4-H!

April 20-June 8 (Tuesday's) 6:00-6:45pm Ages: 5-7

<https://forms.gle/6PUjQKR6u4wNBWsV7>



TIME SENSITIVE UPDATES

Sheep Classes

Coming to a Washtenaw Youth Show near you! A new class was added to the Market Lamb division for Commercial Lambs. This market class will require you to purchase a lamb at market price in order to compete. Please know at tagging you will need to know if you are entering commercial or market classes.

Food Bank Project

Poultry Community Service Project deadline is April 15th. Please, contact Cristie Warren at

WarrenFarms17721@gmail.com or the office to let us know you would like to participate in the project. If you participate then you have the option to purchase broiler chicks through Mrs. Warren or on your own. There is no limit or minimum on how many chicks you have to raise for the project this year.

If you are not participating in the community service project, but would still like to raise a meat project for poultry it is recommended that you purchase your chicks between May 29th-June 6th for roaster (6-8.5 pounds) meat projects and June 6th-June 13th for broiler (3.5-6 pounds) projects. Meat pen project birds should be purchased between May 29th-June 6th.


May 1st Horse Forms

Keep your eyes open for May 1st forms to come out in your email shortly! If you need a copy mailed to your home please contact 4-H staff.





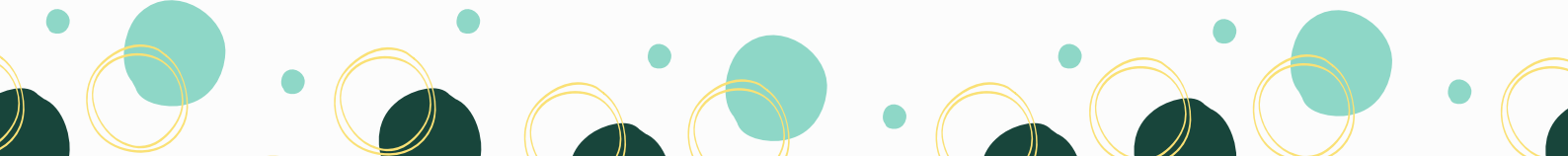
APPROVED 4-H ACTIVITIES IN 2021

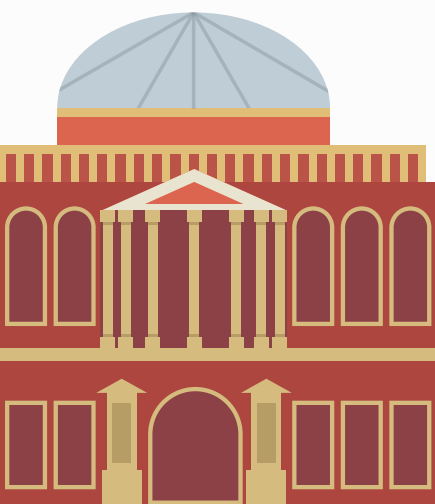


MSU Extension and Michigan 4-H professionals are working diligently to chart a path toward resuming in-person programming when it is safe to do so during the current public health crisis. Though it is premature to cite a specific date, no one is more eager than our own staff to resume events, club meetings, competitions, and fairs. Using guidance from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and the university, as well as the most current science available, we will modify all MSU Extension programming to adhere to public health standards at the federal, state, and local levels.

MSU Extension professionals have been thoughtfully creating guidelines that allow Michigan 4-H volunteers and members to conduct limited business while protecting public health. This information helps create a path forward with the eventual goal of in-person programming. To help inform volunteers and 4-H families of the most current guidelines, Michigan 4-H launched the Approved 4-H Activities in 2021 webpage. This website will be updated every two weeks or as soon as new information becomes available.

It is imperative that volunteers and 4-H'ers alike adhere to the current guidelines so we can continue to focus on community standards for eventual in-person events and programs. To view the current listing of approved activities, visit extension.msu.edu/approved4Hactivities. If you have any questions, please contact your local 4-H program coordinator.





COLLEGE ACCESS SPIN CLUB

Join Michigan 4-H as we prepare you for your college and career journey through 4-H College Access SPIN Club. This program is open to 10th-12th graders. Participants will be awarded a scholarship to attend 4-H Exploration Days: Expanded, upon completion of the program.

Program Dates: 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2, 6/9

Explorations Days: June 22-24, 2021

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/CollegeAccessBRIDGES/>

MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

Join Michigan 4-H in celebrating military families and children during the Month of the Military Child by taking part in the 4-H GooseChase Challenge this April! Whether you come from a military family or not, this online scavenger hunt will be a fun and exciting way to honor military kids across Michigan.

New missions will be released weekly in April, for a chance to win prizes. Any youth ages 13-19 can download the GooseChase app to participate. Youth younger than 13 can partner with an older sibling or parent/guardian to play.

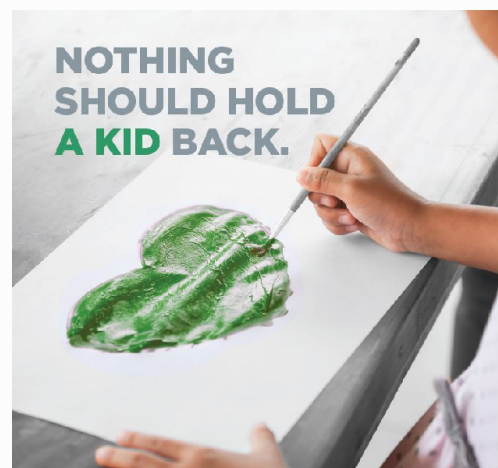
For more information and to register visit www.canr.msu.edu/events/momcgoose.



JOANN FABRICS COLLABORATION

JOANN Fabrics and 4-H are teaming up to create #Opportunity4All kids to create, make and learn through hands-on experiences. You can help inspire a child's creativity by donating \$1 or \$4 at checkout when you visit JOANN in-store or online through April 30.

During this time frame, there may also be special discounts for JOANN 4-H Rewards Card members. If you have not yet obtained yours, sign-up today for your JOANN 4-H Rewards Card. Eligibility is open to the broad 4-H community (parents, volunteers, staff, alumni). The rewards card offers 15% off every purchase and JOANN will donate 2.5% of sales from the JOANN 4-H Rewards Card and \$0.50 for every yard purchased of custom 4-H fabric back to National 4-H Council. Learn more at www.joann.com/4-h/.



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TSC FUNDRAISER

April 28-May 10: Spring TSC Paper Clover Campaign

Support 4-H youth from April 28-May 10 by purchasing a paper clover both online or in Tractor Supply Co. (TSC) stores for just \$1! <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/spring-tractor-supply-co-paper-clover-campaign>





EVENTS GALORE

April 12 - 16: 4-H Dance Party SPIN Club

Join the 4-H Dance Party SPIN Club! Explore computer coding by programming your own dance party! This is an introduction to computer coding. Participants will need internet access .

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-dance-party-spin-club>

April 23: MSU Tollgate Farm Virtual Sustainable Stewards Series

Explore how you can be a sustainability steward with your peers and community partners. Hear from teen leaders and Friends of the Rouge staff and volunteers as they explore issues facing their local watershed and the work of restoring, protecting and enhancing the Rouge River Watershed. <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-tollgate-farm-virtual-sustainable-stewards-series-april-23>

April 14: Inked—The Science and Global History of Tattoos SPIN Club

This six-week virtual SPIN club will meet Wednesdays through May 19 as they research different aspects of tattoos, cultures and art. Youth will engage in at-home hands on science experiments and design their own tattoo.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/inked-the-science-and-global-history-of-tattoos>

April 13: Wild Spartans Series - Researching Wildfire

Delve into the cutting edge world of wildfire research to discover the role technology plays in

studying the impacts to flora and fauna of boreal and arctic regions.

Hear from a wildfire scientist about researching the behavior and impacts of wildfire in remote areas.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-april>

For links to any of these events, and more or links to meetings, please check the google calendar or email the office.

